THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB M.K. PATIL): (a) to (c) Drinking Water Supply being a State subject, the schemes for providing drinking water supply in rural areas are implemented by the State Governments with their own resources. The Government of India supplements the efforts of the States by providing funds under the Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP) and the Rural Drinking Water component of the Prime Minister's Gramodaya Yojana (PMGY). The State Governments have the powers to plan, sanction and implement individual rural drinking water supply schemes. The details of the individual schemes sanctioned by the State Governments are not maintained at the Central Government level.

Road connecting Reotipur and Sadhopur villages in Ghazipur district, U.P.

3304. SHRI RAJNATH SINGH 'SURYA': Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a pucca road connecting villages Reotipur and Sadhopur *urf* Rampur in District Ghazipur (U.P.) has been sanctioned;

(b) if so, when it was sanctioned and the progress made in this regard, so far;

(c) whether construction of this road is being unduly delayed despite Government's priority to connect villages by road;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether any target for completing this road has been fixed, if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether there is a proposal to extend this road upto Muhammadabad; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (g) Do not arise.